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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Dun reports trade satisfactory. —— The peace treaty will be signed Monday unless something unforeseen happens. —— The situation in China is critical. —— Three men killed and eight injured by a gunpowder explosion at the Dupont Works, Wilmington, Del.; considerable property damaged. —— M. De Giers, the new Russian Minister, presented his credentials to the Emperor of China. —— Fifteen thousand dollars spent in mission work the past year in this State by the North Carolina Baptists. —— Col. A. B. Gorrell, Mayor of Winston, died suddenly of heart disease. —— John Anderson, negro, murderer of the mate of the schooner Olive Pecker, executed in the city jail at Norfolk, Va. —— Gen. Brooke and staff and the First Kentucky infantry arrived from Porto Rico. —— The administration of government officers in "our new possessions" was discussed at a cabinet meeting. —— It is denied that the Philippine islands will be sold to Japan or any other nation. —— Gen. Wheeler denies that he has intention of resigning from Congress. —— Heavy snowfall at Dallas and Austin, Texas; the storm is the worst in many years. —— Senator Quay's case will be tried next week. —— A big flour combination will be in operation shortly, with a capital of $30,000,000. —— More troops embarked yesterday at Savannah, for Havana; the 202ad New York regiment will be the first of the United States forces to march through Havana, landing there Sunday; they will be sent to Pinar del Rio province. —— Admiral Dewey and Gen. Otis cable from Manila that conditions in the islands are improving. —— The war investigation commission examined Col. Hecker as to contracts for transportation of Spanish surrendered at Santiago. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 2@2½ per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent.; cotton firm; middling uplands 5 13 16c; flour steady but neglected; wheat—spot steady; No. 2 red 74⅝c; corn—spot easier; No. 2 40⅝@40½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 9.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 33 deg.; 8 P.M., 35 deg.; maximum, 40 deg.; minimum, 33 deg.; mean, 36 deg.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.12.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 11.8 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Threatening weather, possibly light rain or snow on the coast; fresh northerly winds; continued low temperature till Sunday.

Port Almanac---Dec. 10.

Sun Rises	6.59 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.46 P. M
Day's Length	9 H. 47 M.
High Water at Southport	4 48 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	7.18 P. M.

Prof. Roentgen's x-ray raised him to a baronetcy.

The Keeley motor never moted, but it enabled the motor man to accumulate an estate worth $10,000.

There must be some great explorers in Cincinnati. A woman there has had a man arrested for picking her pocket.

Senator Morrill of Vermont, who has been in the Senate for forty-four years, was raised on a farm, is a self-made man and practically a self-educated man.

Hon. Sterling J. Morton says this country needs a new party. It is Morton that needs a new party. None of the parties now suit him. He wants one that he can run.

The Russian Ambassador assures this Government that instead of his Government objecting to our squatting in the Philippines it will be delighted to have us for a neighbor over there.

Isaac D. Smead, at one time one of the wealthiest men in Toledo, Ohio, managed his affairs so that there will be no trouble in settling up his estate. He has gone into bankruptcy with liabilities at $900,000, assets nothing.

A Tennessee young man is so anxious to learn a trade that he wants to be sent to the penitentiary as his best chance, but he couples his request to the Governor with the further request that he send him the money to pay his fare to the penitentiary and let him out when he has learned his trade.

Plymouth, Pa., has an able-bodied J. P. named Donahue, who deals out justice according to circumstances. He had a wife-beater before him the other day whom he sharply rebuked. The wife-beater sassed back, when off came the judicial coat, and by the time the J. P. got through pounding, the wife-beater was thoroughly subdued and promised to be forever very good.

This week the Lumberton *Robesonian*, one of the best of our weekly exchanges, entered upon its thirtieth year. There are few if any papers in the State that have been more successfully conducted, and that more fully command the confidence of the people of the section in which they are published. We have always held the *Robesonian* in high esteem, under its several managements, and wish its present manager and editor, Wichard, continued and unbounded prosperity.

There is trouble brewing for Congress. There is in New York a congress of brewers, representing an aggregate capital of $400,000,000 working for the repeal of the war tax on malt beverages. Very few Congressmen fancy running up against a $400,000,000 combine. But the beer tax must stick for a while.

When Patti, speaking of her coming marriage to that Swedish Baron, said she looked foward "to being happy for the first time in her life" she was not paying a high compliment to her previous liege lords.

The assassin of President Borda of Uruguay was acquitted on the plea of "political effervescence." That beats "emotional insanity," which has been so much worked in this country.

Apollo, Pa., boasts of a J. P. who has run a justice shop for fifty consecutive years, and still, at the age of 93, deals out that article with ease and dispatch.

The Cubans may eventually have independence provided they be patient and go through their probation all right and are not annexed in the meantime.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. A. Farriss—A card.
Clyde Line—Sailing days.
L. W. Bates—Horses for sales.
King Grocery Co.—Fruit cake.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J B. Powell, of Henderson, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. G. W. Prince, of Richmond, was registered at the Orton yesterday.

— Mr. C. M. Cooper, of Henderson, was a visitor in Wilmington yesterday.

— Mr. Geo. M. Rose, of Fayetteville, spent several hours in the city yesterday.

— Bruce Williams, Esq., of Burgaw, was here yesterday on professional business.

— Mrs. W. B. Cooper returned home yesterday from a month's sojourn in New York city.

— Mr. George C. Southerland, travelling representative of Messrs. Wrenn & Son, of Norfolk, is in the city, shaking hands with his numerous friends.

The Mayor's Court.

There were no very important cases before the Mayor yesterday. John Howard, an ex-soldier, was fined $5 and costs for being drunk and down on the streets. Lee Walker, colored, paid the same penalty for a similar offence. Becky Claridy, a colored woman who frequently figures in the Mayor's court, was fined $10, in default of which she was sent below to work it out. Jas. F. Clark, the negro arrested Thursday night for the theft of a watch and clock from some of his relatives, was dismissed, it appearing to the court that it was a family affair and that the defendant was a half-witted fellow.

Death of a Young Girl

The STAR learns with much regret of the death of Elith, the twelve year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alice C. Craft, which occurred at their residence, corner Sixth and Chesnut streets, yesterday morning at 10.45 o'clock. The deceased had been in ill health for some time and for the past few weeks she had gradually grown worse, despite the best of medical attention, until yesterday morning when the end came. The funeral will be conducted this afternoon at 3.30 o'clock from Grace M. E. church, and immediately afterwards the interment will be made at Oakdale Cemetery.

To Receive and Entertain Heroes.

The committee on the entertainment of Lieutenants Anderson and Blue are still at work perfecting arrangements for that notable event, the exact date for which is still unknown, Lieutenant Anderson not having yet answered Ensign Miller's last letter of inquiry. There is every indication that the reception and entertainment will be quite elaborate and highly appropriate, and will be much as previously outlined in the STAR.

That Minstrel Troupe.

Mr. C. H. O'Berry has been elected manager of the L. A. W. Minstrel Troupe and Mr. J. E. Platt assistant manager. There will be an important meeting of the club Monday night at which several committees are to be appointed. The boys say their troupe will be composed of expert vocalists, acrobats and athletes, and jig and fancy dancers.

25TH ANNIVERSARY.

Celebrated by Members of the Congregation of Israel Last Night.

MASSIVE SILVER LOVING CUP

Presented to Mr. Solomon Bear, President of the Congregation Since its Organization in 1873—A Highly Appropriate Service.

A service of especial interest was that at the Temple of Israel last night when the members of the congregation celebrated the twenty fifth anniversary of its organization, which was perfected in 1873, just three years before the present handsome Temple was dedicated by Rev. D. Samuel Mendelsohn, the present able rabbi.

Dr. Mendelsohn last night delivered a forcible and appropriate address, during the course of which he referred to the sacrifices made by the members of the congregation during the quarter of a century in which the organization has flourished. His text was Psalm 116:13.

"I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord."

This text was especially appropriate because of the fact that at the conclusion of the address Dr. Mendelsohn presented to Mr. Solomon Bear, who has served efficiently as president of the congregation since its organization twenty-five years ago, a beautiful silver loving cup as a token of appreciation of the members of the congregation. It is about 10 inches high, massive, gold lined and artistically engraved. The following is the inscription it bears:

1873. 1898.
Presented to
Solomon Bear
By the members of
the Temple of Israel
on his
twenty-fifth anniversary
as President.

Mr. Bear acknowledged the gift in a brief, feeling and highly appropriate speech.

Another feature of the service was the reading of an address from the Ladies' Concordia Society to the members of the congregation. This society has been a most potent factor in promoting the growth of the congregation. The fact is the society was organized in 1870, three years before the men organized the congregation, thus setting the example and really inaugurating the work which has grown to such excellent proportions during succeeding years. The letter was largely of a congratulatory nature, and was signed by Mrs. Mendelsohn, as secretary of the society.

The twenty-fifth anniversary celebration will be long remembered by those in attendance as a most happy and impressive season—a harbinger of even very much greater achievements than those which distinguish the quarter century just closed.

MAGISTRATES' COURTS.

Justice Fowler Disposed of Three Larceny Cases Yesterday.

John Sanders, colored, was tried by Justice Fowler yesterday for the larceny of two rings from the residence of Mr. B. B. Bellois. It appeared from the testimony that he was employed in putting up a stove for Mr. Bellois at his residence and while alone for a moment he stole two rings, one of which had a very valuable diamond setting. The rings were missed by Mrs. Bellois, to whom they belonged, and suspicion at once pointed to the negro. Yesterday his employer started with him to Mr. Bellois' store to do some work, but just before arriving there, the negro took to his heels. He was later arrested by Deputy W. W. King and in default of $100 bond for his appearance at the January term of Criminal Court, Justice Fowler sent him to jail.

Son McKenzie and Bud Johnson, the colored youths who broke into Capt. Henry Savage's residence on Masonboro Sound last Summer, were committed in default of $100 bond each for their appearance at the court. Johnson was represented by Herbert McClammy, Esq.

Herman Smith submitted before Justice McGowan's Court for assault and battery, and was discharged upon payment of the costs.

"SHALL WE FORGIVE HER ?"

Miss Wainwright and Her Company Interpret the Play Very Satisfactorily.

A large audience, comprising many of Wilmington's foremost people, witnessed the presentation of "Shall We Forgive Her?" by Miss Marie Wainwright and her strong company at the Opera House last night, and there was every indication that the play was thoroughly enjoyed.

Miss Wainwright, in the leading role, *Gracie*, displayed decided ability and was complete mistress of the many difficult situations required in her part. Her support is exceptionally good, and taken all in all the company can easily be classed among the very best that have visited Wilmington this season.

Accidentally Shot.

Master Carl Williams, who lives on Fifth street between Queen and Wooster, was quite painfully wounded in the right leg late yesterday afternoon while out hunting, by the accidental discharge of a shot-gun in the hands of his companion, Master Henry Sellars. Young Williams was assisted to his home by his companion, where a doctor administered the necessary surgical attention.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The British steamship *Sheerness* cleared in ballast for Charleston yesterday.

— Tar was quoted firm yesterday at $1.10 per barrel. The receipts were quite heavy, 467 barrels.

— Justice Bornemann had one submission yesterday for disorderly conduct. The defendant was let off with the cost.

— Cotton held firm yesterday at 5¼ cents for middling. The receipts were 2,592 bales against 2,335 bales the corresponding day last year.

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

— Rev. Mr. Potts, of Atlanta, Ga., will arrive in the city to-day and preach for Rev. Andrew P. Tyer at Grace Methodist church to morrow at 11 o'clock.

Frank Haman, col., was locked up by the city officers yesterday, charged with the theft of a coat from A. Duff. He was wearing the coat when arrested.

— The physical examination of the policemen was still in progress yesterday and will likely be concluded today. The appointments will probably be announced early next week.

— Up to this time the yearly receipts of spirits turpentine have been 23,901 casks, while up to the corresponding time last year 28,727 casks had been received. The crop year receipts of other naval stores are about the same as last year.

— The body of Mrs. Rosa Hilton, who died Thursday at Hub, N. C., arrived on the 1.25 o'clock train yesterday afternoon and was taken to Oakdale cemetery where the interment was made. The burial services were conducted by Rev. P. C. Morton.

— There will be an important meeting of the county commissioners at 2.30 P. M. to-day. Aside from routine business several additional county officers are to be elected. Among them are clerk to the audit committee and court house janitor.

— The receipts of cotton on this market for the week ending yesterday were 21,274 bales against 23,469 bales for the same week last year. The crop year receipts for 1898 up to this time have been 245,394 bales; crop year receipts to corresponding time last year 233,984.

THE METHODIST MINISTERS.

Farewell Sermons by Presiding Elder Beaman and Pastors Cunninggim and Langston To-morrow.

To-morrow will be a day of unusual interest for the Methodist Episcopal congregations of the city. At 11 A. M. Rev. R. C. Beaman, the present presiding elder, who has been transferred to Elizabeth City station, will preach a farewell sermon at Fifth Street Methodist Church. At 7.30 P. M. he will take formal leave of the Grace Church congregation.

Rev. W. L. Cunninggim, retiring pastor of Fifth Street Church, who goes to Fayetteville, will preach a farewell sermon to his congregation at 7.30 P. M.

Rev. G. D. Langston will also preach his last sermon as pastor of Bladen Street Church to morrow.

On Sunday, the 18th inst., the new pastors will be in the city and preach their inaugural sermons, Rev. J. H. Hall at Fifth Street Church and Rev. C. B. Culbreth at Bladen Street Church.

BARKING UP THE WRONG TREE.

A Cornell Student Wants Reports of Efforts to Disfranchise Negroes.

A letter came to this city yesterday addressed to "Pastor Methodist Episcopal Church, Wilmington, N. C.," and was placed in Rev. Andrew Tyer's box by the postal clerk. It was from a man in Mount Vernon, Iowa, who asked that Wilmington papers containing news of efforts made before the election and at the polls to prevent negroes from exercising the right of suffrage be sent to him. He explained that a student of Cornell College was preparing to participate in a debate soon to be held, when the negro problem will be discussed. Of course there are no papers containing any such reports to be sent.

A Bad Runaway.

A horse, owned by Mr. Sam'l Bear, Sr., took fright yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock and ran away, completely demolishing the buggy to which he was attached and breaking a quantity of crockery, the property of Mr. Bear. The animal started at the corner of Market and Second streets, ran down to Water, thence to Nutt street where he came to grief by completely wrecking the buggy and severely wounding himself by a fall. It is not known what occasioned the horse's fright.

Mr. Yopp Endorsed.

A meeting of voters of the Fourth Ward was held at the City Hall last night. Sheriff Walter MacRae presided and Mr. Ed Bailey acted as teller. The meeting was called for the purpose of recommending a suitable person to succeed Mr. P. L. Bridgers, who lately resigned as alderman from that ward.

The meeting was about evenly divided in support between Messrs. W. E. Yopp and Jno. H. Hanby, the former having received 16 votes and the latter 14.

RALEIGH'S NEWS BUDGET.

The University—Rev. Dr. Hoge—Federal Court—District Attorney Bernard—The Next General Assembly.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 9.

The new Board of County Commissioners have reduced the pay of all the employes working under them.

President Alderman, of the University, lectured here last evening on "Egypt and the Nile." The lecture was excellent. Dr. Alderman speaks in the highest terms of the good accomplished by Rev. Dr. Peyton Hoge at the University.

J. P. Boddie, of Nashville, N. C., is being tried this morning in the Federal Court for violation of the postal laws. He was postmaster at Nashville.

Several members of the Legislature are working hard on the legislation the Old North State needs. A leading candidate for the speakership recently told your correspondent that he did not think any bill would be introduced until the members had put their heads together and united all the patriotism and wisdom they could command.

Candidates for the various positions under the next Assembly are already busy. Scarcely a day passes that several do not visit Raleigh and do some active work.

District Attorney Bernard made himself the laughing stock of the bar here Tuesday in the Federal Court. He began the prosecution of a case and to his surprise his witnesses went back on him, whereupon he proceeded to argue the case to the jury, declaring that all the government's witnesses had lied and ought to be sent to jail, for they had previously told him a different story. It goes without saying that he lost his case.

MARRIAGE AT MOUNT OLIVE.

Miss Kate Witherington Wedded to Dr. William C. Steele in the Presbyterian Church There.

[*Reported for the Star.*]

Wednesday evening, December seventh, the Presbyterian Church at Mount Olive was the scene of a pretty wedding, the contracting parties being Dr. William Calvin Steele and Miss Kate Witherington Southerland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Southerland.

Long before the appointed hour, seven o'clock, the church was thronged with people, a strong testimonial to the remarkable popularity of bride and groom. The simple architecture of the church was beautified by decorations strictly in keeping, the sin of over-elaboration having been skillfully avoided. The bridal procession had been arranged with the same attention to harmony. It was divided into two parts. The bridegroom's procession was headed by two ushers, Mr. William Kornegay and Mr. J. E. Kelly, preceding Miss Bessie Kornegay and Miss Celess Dillon. The young men stopped at the front of the dais in the alcove so that the ladies could pass and take their places thereon. Then Mr. J. D. Southerland and Mr. F. R. Southerland escorted Dr. Steele and his best man, Mr. J. A. Steele. An effective pause and the bride's procession approached up the aisle, Miss Lula Steele and Miss Addie Southerland leading.

Mr. B. W. Southerland and Dr. William Spicer then preceded the maid of honor. The bride followed, leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. R. J. Southerland, Jr. The Rev. Mr. McIntyre, pastor of the church, performed the ceremony most impressively to an accompaniment of soft music rendered by Mrs. B. B. Witherington. Then the bridal party and invited guests returned to the home of the bride's parents, where the reputation it has so long enjoyed for boundless hospitality received new lustre from the entertainment provided.

Long after Dr. and Mrs. Steele had left on the north bound train for a prolonged tour the wedding guests were enjoying the ample supper and the delightful music.

The bridal presents were many in number and rich in value, sterling silver and cut-glass predominating. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Benajah Witherington, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Witherington, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hicks, Miss Betty Hicks, Miss Stewart and Miss Witherington, of Faison; Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Witherington and Mss Laura Hartsell, of Goldsboro; Captain Hartsell, of Tarboro; Mr. Wooten and Mr. Murchison, of LaGrange and Miss Mary Sprunt Faison, of Bennettsville, S. C.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—967 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 6 barrels rosin, 20 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—634 bales cotton, 18 casks spirits turpentine, 252 barrels rosin, 163 barrels tar, 27 casks crude turpentine.

Carolina Central Railroad—408 bales cotton, 40 barrels spirits turpentine, 160 barrels rosin, 43 barrels tar, 57 casks crude turpentine.

C. F. & Y. V. Railroad—230 bales cotton, 20 casks spirits turpentine, 85 barrels rosin, 75 barrels tar.

W., N. & N. Railroad—159 bales cotton, 9 barrels spirits turpentine.

Steamer Frank Sessoms—131 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 61 barrels rosin, 38 barrels tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—40 bales cotton, 36 casks spirits turpentine, 45 barrels rosin, 53 barrels tar.

C. Larkins Flat—3 bales cotton, 2 barrels spirits turpentine, 30 barrels rosin, 75 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 2,593 bales; spirits turpentine, 128 casks, rosin, 639 barrels; tar, 467 barrels; crude turpentine, 78 barrels.

Mr. Walton Endorsed.

A meeting of the voters of the Fifth Ward was held at the hall, corner Eighth and Castle streets, last night for the purpose of recommending an alderman to succeed Mr. B. F. King, who resigned at the meeting of the board Monday night. Mr. M. F. Dowling presided and Mr. George Miller acted as secretary. A vote as who should be recommended was taken, with the following result: James Walton, 35; Geo. Ziegler, 21; D. Cameron, 13, and G. W. Bornemann 3.

ELECTED PRESIDENT.

Commander Morton Greatly Honored at Naval Reserve National Convention.

AN UNSOUGHT COMPLIMENT.

Future of Naval Reserves, as State and National Organizations, Left in Abeyance—Congress to Take Action—President Morton.

Commander George L. Morton and Lieutenant H. H. Ilhenny have returned from Philadelphia where they went to attend the annual session of the National Convention of Naval Reserves which was held in that city during Friday and Saturday of last week. Both officers report a most delightful trip. The people of Wilmington will be especially pleased to learn that Commander Morton was honored with election to the presidency of the convention to serve during the ensuing year.

There was a large attendance upon the convention, more than twenty States being represented, the delegates representing about 20,000 members of Naval Reserves organizations.

A STAR representative was told last night by Commander Morton that the most important matter which came to the attention of the convention was left in abeyance until settled by an act of Congress. That was the matter of the future relation of the Naval Reserves to the War Department. Heretofore the Reserves have been organized under State authority and the War Department is now urging that they in future be organized under and subject to the authority of the Department direct. The Reserves generally, Commander Morton says, are decidedly in favor of the State organization.

In speaking of his plans, as chief officer of the national organization of Naval Reserves, Commander Morton said last night that he will within the next few days announce a number of committees which he will, as president, have to appoint.

Lieutenant T. C. Daniels, of Newbern, returned to his home from the convention on Wednesday, and, in conversation with a member of the staff of the Newbern *Journal*, made the following reference to the honor conferred upon Commander Morton, to-wit:

"North Carolina was greatly honored, and very unexpectedly so at the convention. When the committee on organization came in with their report and offered the name of Commander Geo. L. Morton of North Carolina, for President of the convention, it caused the greatest surprise to our delegation, as no effort or suggestion from us had been made towards such a thing. It was an unsought honor, yet none the less highly appreciated by the Naval Battalion of North Carolina, and every one of Commander Morton's numerous friends."

SAYS MANLY DIDN'T WRITE IT.

Another Buck Negro Claims Authorship of the Article Defamatory of Southern White Women.

[Special to the Baltimore Sun.]

CHAMBERSBURG, PA., Dec. 8.—William L. Jeffries, associate editor of the Wilmington (N. C.) Record, who is visiting Rev. Santee Burch, a colored pastor here, says he was the author of the editorial in the Record which was regarded as such a foul slander against white women that it precipitated the "race war" at Wilmington.

"Editor Manly didn't write a line of the article," says Jeffries, "although its authorship has been ascribed to him far and wide. I wrote the article while Manly was fifty miles away. It was inspired by an address made by the wife of Congressman Felton, who advocated the lynching of 1,000 negroes a week, if necessary, to stop the so-called outrages by negroes upon white women.

"We saw the massacre coming, and the editorial was written solely to show that there were two sides to the question and that the outrages were not all on one side. I wrote the article without consulting Manly. They may burn and kill him if he returns to Wilmington, but they will get the wrong man."

Jeffries was born in Pittsburg, Pa., and is a graduate of Lincoln University. He says he greatly deplored the indignation meetings held in the North, particularly those in New York, where the utterances of some extremists resulted in alienating Northern sympathy.

"The speeches of Fred. Douglas' sons and of Blanche K. Bruce and ex-Senator Pinchback at Washington," he continued, "did more harm than good. I believe the solution of the race problem lies in the retirement of the negro from politics and refusing to vote unless he is given protection."

A PROTEST.

We, the undersigned, citizens and tax-payers of the Fifth Ward, assembled, do hereby protest against the action of the meeting held to-night, it being so very disorderly that over half the voters present were forced to leave the meeting in order to avoid trouble.

Signed: Wm. Ulrich, W. B. Beery, A. N. Biggs, W. B. Savage, B. F. Swann, M. A. Potter, R. A. Burnett, R. Litchen, G. W. Smith, S. A. Robbins, R. C. Cumber, J. Casteen, C. Driver.

WILMINGTON, December 9, 1898.

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Take Notice.

Beginning Friday Morning, December 9th, at 8 o'clock,

WE WILL COMMENCE THE SALE OF THE STOCK RECENTLY OWNED BY J. J. SHEPARD, AT HIS OLD STAND NO. 18 MARKET STREET. THE STOCK MUST BE SOLD IMMEDIATELY AND WILL BE DISPOSED OF AT

A GREAT SACRIFICE.

Large quantities of General Dry Goods, Shoes, Carpets, &c., which will be sold without reserve. Among the many articles are Domestics, Bleachings,

LARGE ASSORTMENT

Dress Goods, Flannels, Ribbons, Gent's Furnishings, Blankets, &c.

Come early and make selections, as the stock is to be positively closed out.

Terms of Sale, SPOT CASH.

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We are selling the very best and absolutely the choicest ingredients for Cakes that can be bought in this city.

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Best Seeded Raisins	12½
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Almonds	35
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Send us your orders.

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NEWS FROM THE PENINSULA

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Warehouse and Office Nutt street, A. C. L. crossing.

Judge Dossey Battle.

A special from Scotland Neck to the Raleigh *Post* says:

The first court ever held by Judge Dossey Battle, the newly-elected successor of Tom Sutton as Judge of the Criminal Court for the Eastern District, is in session here.

Dossey (excuse the force of habit, judge) presides like a veteran, and one would never think from the way he dispatches business that he was a new hand at it. He is giving the greatest satisfaction and makes a good impression.

Church Notices.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

The Seamen's Bethel: Regular religious services will be held to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Seamen and riverm n are especially invited. All welcome.

Fifth Street Methodist Episcopal Church: Sermon by Rev R. C Beaman, P. E., at 11 A. M., and by Rev. W. L Cunningham at 7.30 P M. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M.

First Presbyterian Church. Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., pastor. Divine service at 11 o A. M. and 8 o P. M. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursday at 8.00 P. M. Seats free

South Side Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. F. H. Farrington, Pastor. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 3.30 p. m. Weekly Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.30.

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DIED.

CRAFT—At 10 45 o'clock A. M., Friday, December 9, 1898, ELITH daughter of Archie and Alice C. Craft, aged 12 years, 2 months and 12 days.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 10.

FROM A TRADE STAND OINT.

One of the arguments advanced in favor of expansion and for the acquisition of the Philippines is that they would be of great value to us from a trade standpoint, that they would furnish a market for a large quantity of our products, both natural and manufactured. That they would furnish a market for some there is no doubt, but there is very much doubt if they would furnish a market for anything like the quantity some are calculating upon. There are reasons for this, some growing out of the geograph cal location of the islands, others growing out of our geographical position. The geographical location of the Philippines puts them mainly within the tropics. As a rule the needs of the masses of the people of tropical countries are few, simple and easily supplied. The principal, and in fact the only food of the Filipinos consists of indigenous fruits, vegetables and grain. As in China and Japan the people are rice eaters, and consumers of meats in very small quantities, if they eat them at all. We could supply them with no fruits, vegetables, meats or rice, the latter of which we do not grow for export, and if we did we could not ship it to them in competition with the Chinese or Japanese growers. This does not present a very rosy outlook for a trade in foodstuffs. After a while when we had educated them to the use of wheat and corn bread we might find a market for flour and meal, as we do in Japan, after the people become able to earn money enough to buy that kind of bread.

When we come to the clothes they wear these are on the same economical scale that their food is. Cotton goods are the clothing not only of the masses, but of the well-to-do, who consider themselves pretty well and stylishly dressed in a suit costing two or three dollars, while the suit of the poor person probably does not cost more than a fourth of that. About all the clothes they need is enough to keep them from being sunburnt, or to keep the flies from biting them. The wealthy, of whom there are not many, may indulge their fancy for higher living and for finer clothing, but there are not enough of them to furnish the foundation for any large trade calculations.

But assuming that there would be a demand for foodstuffs, clothing, shoes, hats and other manufactured articles, in all of these we would have competitors in other nations which have the advantage of us in the distance to be travelled. We would have to compete with both China and Japan, both of which have cheap labor, and both of which have been doing more or less trading with these islands for centuries. The Chinese now have the bulk of the trade with the best of the islands, and their traders go into the interior, with which they are more familiar than the traders of any other nation, including the Spaniards.

Within the past quarter of a century the Japanese have become a manufacturing people and they would meet the demand for numerous manufactures for which the people might have need, and they would supply them at a price that we could not touch, a price somewhat in proportion to the capacity of the people of the islands to pay. As the resources of the islands become developed, as they probably would be under our ownership, there might possibly spring up some manufactories, agriculture might be improved, and mining entered upon, which would create a demand for different kinds of machinery, which we might supply, but even in a large portion of these we would have to compete with other nations, unless our protective tariff gave us some advantage over them, and then the advantage would be offset by the limited demand in consequence of the higher price.

We have heard a good deal of nonsense about "trade following the flag," which is true only when the conditions are such as to invite and encourage trade to do that. There is neither sentiment nor patriotism in trade. It doesn't take any stock in flags. It is selfish and cold-blooded and goes where it can see the best prospect for gain regardless of flags. The trader may have as much patriotism as any one, but when he comes to trading he puts his patriotism in one pocket and his profits in the other. Even Governments, when they come to trading, do not always follow the flag, for very frequently they make their largest contracts with foreigners even in competition with their own people. That's business. If the flag floated on every hill top in the Philippines it would not bring us a dollar's worth of trade when we could not compete with the traders of other nations who had access to those markets. Trade follows the flag only when the flag keeps other trade out, which simply means a trade despotism.

We may and doubtless will build up considerable trade with Cuba and Porto Rico, because their proximity gives us the advantage over other nations, an advantage which we do not have when we come to the Philippines, to reach which even from our Pacific ports we have to cross seven thousand miles of ocean. Even our own Government in supplying its forces at Manila considers this and makes its orders for supplies from another and a nearer market for the presumable reason that it can deal there to better advantage, a fact to which Mr. Andrew Carnegie, who doesn't believe in the "trade follows the flag" nonsense, calls attention in the following letter addressed to Secretary of Agriculture Wilson:

"Dear Sir: The good work you are doing for the agricultural interests of the country induces me to call your attention to the following:

"VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 2.—Advices from New South Wales say that the steamer Culgon has sailed from Sydney with a cargo of provisions for Rear Admiral Dewey's fleet at Manila. The cargo consists of 5,000 carcases of mutton, 250 of lambs, 125 tons of potatoes, 81 tons of onions and 22 tons of carrots.

"Secretary Gage finds 'commercial expansion' a sufficient reason for recanting his former opinions and becoming an imperialist. Is this a sample of the 'commercial expansion' which has captivated the Secretary. I wonder?

"Mr. Secretary, none know better than yourself that the 'open door' which the President has given to the foreigner means the 'closed door' to the products of the soil and the mine of your country. The foreigner gets the trade, the American pays the taxes.

"The Philippines treaty is soon to come before the Senate. Surely every farmer of the United States can look to you as the head of the Agricultural Department to secure a change in the clause which puts the producers of America, both of the soil and of the mine, at so serious a disadvantage, being thousands of miles further away.

"One would have thought that the food of our soldiers might have been purchased by the Government upon the Pacific coast, but even San Francisco is thousands of miles further from the Philippines than the competitive agricultural country of Australia. Even India is nearer still. As the New York *Tribune* justly says: 'The Philippines are 7000 miles away, far nearer to other great Powers or their possessions than to us, and belonging to the geographical and commercial system of another continent.'

"Knowing your strict guardianship of the interest of agriculture in this country, I beg to lay the subject before you, knowing that you will give it due attention. With sincere congratulations upon your successful work in various directions, very respectfully yours,

"ANDREW CARNEGIE."

We do not know what reason will be assigned for purchasing these food supplies in Australia, but the probable reason is that Australia being nearer, they could be purchased to better advantage than they could be on the Pacific coast from which the transportation would be so much higher. Our Government was following the business principle that would be generally followed, and which people will follow, whatever flag may wave over the point for which the trading is done. We will get no trade out of the Philippines that we will not win by successful competition.

WHITE CHIPS IN.

We do not think that Congressman White (black) of the Second district has yet recovered from that Tarboro circus incident and consequently he has reached Washington in no amiable mood, where he announces it as his belief that "the race issue has about reached the point when the negro must face either extermination or emigration." We suppose he is referring to North Carolina, and yet after inviting the race issue and declaring that he intended to make that *the* issue in his canvass, he in spite of all the terrorism which he practically asserts exists, was re elected being one of the two Republican Congressmen elected from the State. That ought to be pretty good proof that terrorism didn't and dosen't exist in his district and that his negro constituents are not facing extermination or emigration.

His ravings are in striking contrast to the sensible and calm utterances of other prominent colored men of North Charolina whom we have heretofore quoted in these columns, who entertain no apprehensions of extermination and see no necessity for emigration. In addition to these we quote the following from S. N. Hill, who edits the Newbern department in the Kinston *Searchlight*, the negro organ which during the campaign editorially advocated the severest ostracism of negroes who dared to vote the Democratic ticket. This paper has, however, materially modified its views since the election, and substantially agrees with its Newbern editor who, in referring to those indignation meetings being held in the North to express disapprobation of the treatment of slanderer Manly, says:

"The negro wants to migrate out of politics as a business into seeking some legitimate avocation, and in so doing he will find no fanatical trouble between the races, and the affairs of government will be looked after just the same.

'High sounding resolutions passed by Northern negroes condemnatory of the negro's Southern home and interests only aggravate and disturb that peace which is essential to the negro's happiness. We have had and have been led by too much foreign advice. We have put too much faith in resolutions which were not worth the paper upon which they were printed. There is more substantial benefit derived by the cultivation successfully of your farm, in one minute, than passing resolutions of sympathy for fancied evils which do not exist. They only agitate.

"The best public meeting for the negro to attend is his church, where he may commune with his God, and where he may be influenced for good."

White is a bumptious strutter, but he never got off as much good hard sense in his life as this man Hill has uttered in this brief extract. White professes to believe the negro will have to emigrate. Hill thinks he should migrate out of politics as a business for which he is not adapted, to some other useful, honest avocation for which he is adapted. White lives by politics, Hill doesn't; that's the difference.

PENSION SPOLIATION.

Senator Vest made some very pertinent remarks Thursday on the practice which has so long prevaled in both Houses of Congress of rushing pension bills through in job lots without inquiry or discussion, a practice to which President Cleveland called emphatic attention during his first term, when he sent back a lot of such bills with his veto.

Millions of dollars have thus been voted away by men who didn't know what they were voting for or how much, but voted simply on the recommendation of a committee which, probably in a majority of cases, reported on the recommendation of some interested attorney or other person, without ever inquiring into the merits of the cases on which they reported. Senator Vest may be successful in causing a little more attention to be given to these matters, but he and others who have heretofore made efforts on this line have met with no success at all. There has not been a session of Congress for ten years or when attention was not called to this alone and strong protest entered against it.

Instead of commending President Cleveland for objecting to this hurry-scurry, careless, profligate way of doing business, and voting the people's money away, very often on unworthy persons, the Republican organs and speakers actually made party capital out of it and used it as an argument against his re-election, and it had a very decided effect, too, in influencing votes against him. So every Representative or Senator, at least every Democratic Representative or Senator, who protests a ainst that way of doing business and insists on more care and deliberation in voting away the people's money will be pilloried as an enemy of the pensioner, as President Cleveland was when he was honestly and bravely trying to stop an abuse which had grown to such colossal proportions, and stop this plunder of the Treasury by men who were voting away the people's money to curry favor with constituents, even assuming that some of them might not have been silent partners of pension attorneys who fixed up the jobs.

—— Expansionist statesmen and editors are having, literally, a duced time, of explaining away the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States; for the purpose of defending their proposed despotic government of Porto Rico and the Philippines.—*Chattanooga Times, Dem.*

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Yadkin *Ripple:* Mr. W. A. Royal Sr., who lives two miles west of town, has caught one hundred and nineteen possums this season. He says he intends catching two hundred before the season is over

—— Newton *Enterprise*: The train from the west came down Wednesday morning covered with two inches of snow, and snow could be seen from here on the mountain tops.

——We are told that there are some cotton fields in the country that have never been picked and many others on which a good portion of the crop remains.

— Greenville *Reflector*: Mr. S. G. Nine, of Contentnea township, sold a load of tobacco here Tuesday. As he was getting ready to leave town a colored man helped him hitch up his team and asked to be allowed to ride with him, as he, (the colored man) was going the same road. When a seclude part of the road, about three miles from town was reached, the colored man dealt Mr. Nine a blow that rendered him senseless and robbed him of $75.

— Scotland Neck *Commonwealth:* Mr. Ed. Hux was caught in the machinery at one of the knitting mills at Roanoke Rapids a few days ago and so badly crushed that he died in a few moments after he was taken to his home. He was about 46 years old and left a wife and several children. —— Mr. E C. McDowell was killed near his home in Edgecombe last Thursday, by a falling tree. He was cutting some firewood and a limb from a falling tree struck him on the head and killed him instantly. He was 60 years old and left a wife and four children. —— Hale Brothers, general merchants at Halifax, failed a few days ago, making E L. Travis assignee. The amount of assets or liabilities has not been learned. Failure to collect for goods sold on credit was the cause of the failure.

— Dunn *Union*: We have the information from Raleigh that Mr R. L. McLeod, who had lived here for a number of years, was yesterday morning arrested and placed in jail upon a charge of passing counterfeit money. McLeod left here Monday for Raleigh where he where he was a witness in the Federal court which convened Monday. Our information says that he was charged with passing a counterfeit silver dollar and when arrested he had several of the same kind of dollars in his pocket. ——A few days ago while Mr. S. J. Johnson, of Anderson's Creek township, this county, was out hunting he shot and killed a large gray eagle. He measured seven feet from tip to tip of wings and weighed about thirty pounds. It took two shots from Mr. Johnston's gun to bring him down and he fought vicious ly after being badly wounded.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Now that we have the Philippines, what are we going to do with them? Do we purpose to fit them to the constitution of the United States, or to fit the constitution to them?—*Atlanta Constitution, Dem.*

—— Nothing is more ridiculous than the outcry of the wildest eyed "imperialists" over the estimates of the cost of the new policy. If we are to have a great army and a bigger navy and spread ourselves over the earth, is it any wonder that the estimates of expenses mount and soar? Every rod of "expansion" means a permanent war tax.—*New York World, Dem.*

—— It is urged by some sticklers regularity that there is no precedent for a Congressional vote of thanks to a woman, and that it is not well to make a beginning in the case of Miss Helen Gould as proposed by General Wheeler. The answer to these objections is that Miss Gould's patriotic munificence also went beyond precedent. Extraordinary service justifies extraordinary requital.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem:*

—— During the late campaign Mr. Platt and his assistants shed copious tears because Mr. Croker turned down Judge Daily. Now that Mr. Roosevelt has the power and proposes to correct the great wrong by appointing Judge Daly to a vacancy on the bench he is bombarded with protests from the gentlemen who were doing the anti-election weeping. It would seem that Mr. Platt's machine keeps two sets of tears in stock.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

TWINKLINGS.

— The Amateur Chicken Raiser (in disgust)—"Just look at all these darn hens standing around doing nothing!"

— A Matrimonial One: "Now You are mine for life," exclaimed the happy bridegroom after the ceremony. "The chain has been forged." "I am a victim of an endless chain, am I?" replied the bride, joyously.—*Detroit Free Press.*

— When He Goes: "Does your husband ever go to church, Mrs. Badger?" "Oh, yes, he goes quite regularly in the winter time." "Why does he go in the winter time and not at other times?" "Well, you see, he generally has the quinsy when the weather is raw and thinks he is going to die"—*Chicago News.*

— "Did I see you comin' out o' my white folks' back yard late last night?" inquired Miss Miami Brown. "I dunno," answered Mr. Erastus Pinkley. "Mebbe you might have." "Is you got any possessions dar?" "No, I ain't got no regular possessions; only jes' a coalin' station."—*Washington Star.*

— "Why don't you take steps to have this man who has traduced your character punished? He has unquestionably accused you falsely." "I know it," said Senator Sorghum, thoughtfully. "But I'm afraid that by making a fuss about things that ain't so I may stir up a lot that are."—*Washington Star.*

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SOURCES OF UNTOLD MERRIMENT AND SORROW, SMILES AND TEARS.

Gambling In the Olden Times—Women Were as Deeply Infatuated as Men—Everything Made Subservient to Play For Stakes—Some of the Old Games.

Possibly no other invention has ever given rise to so much merriment and sorrow, has called forth so many smiles, frowns and tears and has been the agent in so many tragedies as a pack of cards. The actual source of this invention still remains a mystery, the generally accepted story of origin being that in 1392 cards were introduced at the French court as a diversion for King Charles VI during his temporary attacks of insanity. From this date they spread rapidly through every country in Europe and received such a warm welcome from all classes that laws had to be made for the better regulations of dice throwing and card playing.

During the commonwealth card playing shared the banishment of every other amusement, but with the restored monarchy a reaction set in, and heavy play became the fashion. Basset and ombre were the games in favor at court, and in the graphic picture given by Evelyn of the last Sunday spent by King Charles II at Whitehall he speaks of "at least £2,000 in gold" on the basset table round which "about 20 of the great courtiers" were sitting. Ombre was also a court game. Waller has a poem "on a card torn at ombre by the queen." Pope also, in "The Rape of the Lock," gives such a faithful description of Belinda's game that the Hon. Daines Barrington, writing in The Universal Magazine for December, 1788, says, "When ombre is forgotten (and it is almost so already), it may be revived with posterity from that most admirable poem." In its turn ombre was deposed for quadrille, and for a time no one who aspired to be counted among the beau monde condescended to play any other game. Mr. Urban, in The Gentleman's Magazine for 1786, gives "Cautions Against Quadrille" and warns "the young and unwary of both sexes" against a most growing vice which if not timely prevented will end in their ruin. "I mean," he says, "the great Increase of Play in private Houses, and more particulary that artful and cheating game of Quadrille." Quadrille was equally popular in Paris, and a pamphlet is extant dated 1760 of "The game of Quadrille by Four as it is now played at the French Court," in which it says, "It is allowed by all players that Quadrille is more amusing and entertaining than Ombre or any other game on the cards, either because every Deal is play'd out or that it better suits the genius of the Ladies, to whom complaisance and good manners must Prejudice the Gentlemen in its favor." Such a prejudicial hold had this fascinating game taken on women that a writer of the day declares that "women now spend all their time in gambling. Their husbands, children, the duties of society, are, without Quadrille, wearisome encumbrances. Quadrille is the joy that gives life, spirit and brightness. For this they hurry over their meals and abridge their most agreeable Refreshments. For this alone they visit and are visited."

In the autobiography of Mr. Frederick Reynolds he tells us that one of the most noted card playing places near London was Twickenham, and that there, in Montpelier row, lived four maiden ladies who were known in the neighborhood as Manille, Spadille, Basto and Punto. Mrs. Harris, writing to her son, the first Lord Malmesbury, says: "Mme. de Walderen would fain have tempted me to her loo table, but I needed little fortitude to withstand it, as one stake lost would ruin a whole assembly. I preferred a sober game of quadrille with Miss Chudleigh." The Annual Register for 1766 informs us that "a lady at the West End lost at a sitting one night last week 3,000 guineas at loo." As early as the reign of Henry VII a prohibitory statute forbade any persons save those of noble rank to play at cards except during Christmas, and for generations this custom was strictly adhered to, so that many who objected to touch a card at any other time relaxed their prejudices and played a few games at this festive season. As late as the year 1783 The European Magazine for December says: "This being the season when and when only card playing is permitted in sober families for the recreation of men, women and children," etc., "it may not be out of place to give a few observations on games which at no distant time were the most popular." Among these games brag is spoken of as "peculiarly adapted to the fair and softer sex, and therefore so much in vogue among the ladies of distinction that hereby they acquire a decent assurance and competency of countenance so absolutely necessary in life, and remedy that shamefacedness, which is a defect of nature, by the assistance of her handmaid art."

The passion for gaming which was prevalent in the days of Queen Anne went on steadily increasing during the reigns of the three Georges. The Gentleman's Magazine for 1753 tells us that "his majesty played at St. James' palace on Twelfth Night for the benefit of the groom porter. Fortune favored the royal family—the Duke of Cumberland won £3,000." The spirit of gambling was by this time no longer confined to the court, it had broken loose over the whole land, the taste was universal and alike indulged in by both men and women.—Pall Mall Magazine.

The Cost of It.

A juror returned as dead before a London magistrate was fined $10 the other day for nonattendance, that being the only way the judge could think of to remove the name from the jury list. This will have a tendency to put a stop to the practice of being dead.—Rochester Union.

Porridge and Beards.

A new fashion has arisen in Scotch country houses during the last few years. All sporting men like porridge for breakfast. Now, it is not a pretty spectacle to see mustached and bearded men eat porridge and cream. So now that delectable compound is placed upon a side table behind a screen or in a little anteroom, and when the lords of creation stroll down on a Sunday or rush down on a week day to breakfast, according to up to date etiquette, they eat their first breakfast course standing. This fashion reminds an observer of the Russian habit of eating zakouska or hors d'œuvre at a side table in the drawing room before descending to the dining room.—New York Tribune.

That Confident Air.

"He's a very enterprising young man," remarked the elderly gentleman. "Very pushing and alert. He belongs to the rising generation."

"I shouldn't have dreamed it," replied Miss Cayenne.

"Indeed?"

"No. From his manners I should not have hesitated about concluding that the rising generation belonged to him."—Washington Star.

Nature's Warning.

All nature is full of beckoning hands and welcoming voices, inviting man to a truer and higher life. She says to him from the heart of the rose, "Be beautiful in soul as I am and fragrant with the aroma of good deeds." She calls to him from mountain heights of eternal snows, saying, "Be white and pure as I am, and warm in heart as the fires that glow down deep in my own bosom."—Housewife.

NELSON AT COPENHAGEN.

His Refusal to See the Signal of Recall From Admiral Parker.

Captain Alfred T. Mahan, the great naval tactician, has an article on "Nelson In the Battle of Copenhagen" in The Century. As to the dominance of Lord Nelson, Captain Mahan, quoting from Colonel Stewart, gives the following description: "When the signal from the London, No. 39, was made, the signal lieutenant reported it to him. He continued his walk, and did not appear to take notice of it. The lieutenant, meeting his lordship at the next turn, asked whether he should repeat it—by which, if done, the squadron engaged would retire to the northward. Lord Nelson answered: 'No. Acknowledge it.' On the officer returning to the poop, his lordship called after him, 'Is No. 16 (for close action) still hoisted?' The lieutenant answering in the affirmative, Lord Nelson said, 'Mind you keep it so.' He now walked the deck considerably agitated, which was always known by his moving the stump of his right arm.

"After a turn or two he said to me in a quick manner, 'Do you know what's shown on board the commander in chief, No. 39?' On asking what that meant, he answered: 'Why, to leave off action. Leave off action,' he repeated, and then added with a shrug, 'Now, d—n me if I do!' He also observed, I believe, to Captain Foley: 'You know, Foley, I have only one eye. I have a right to be blind sometimes,' and then, with an archness peculiar to his character, putting the glass to his blind eye, he exclaimed, 'I really do not see the signal.'"

Professor Laughton, whose authority on matters relating to Nelson is second to that of no one living, has lately told us in his "Life of Nelson" that this little display was but a joke, Nelson having received a message from Parker that he was to use his own discretion as to obeying the signal. If so, it is not improbable that he had in view the effect of his manner upon the many bystanders who must have witnessed the scene in the midst of a yet doubtful and desperate battle. It is the converse of the outward bearing which he reprehended in the lieutenant. The moral effect of such self possession is indescribable. The Monarch's midshipman already quoted speaks thus of a wounded and disabled officer on board of her, "When the carnage was greatest, he encouraged his men by applauding their conduct and frequently began a huzza, which is of more importance than might generally be imagined, for the men have no other communication throughout the ship, but when a shout is set up it runs from deck to deck, and they know that their comrades are, some of them, alive and in good spirits."

As Parker's messenger, Captain Otway, did not reach Nelson until after the signal was hoisted, it is possible the scene witnessed by Stewart occurred before Nelson knew Parker's purpose. Parker's private secretary, who afterward served in the same capacity with Nelson for two years, has also affirmed that there was a previous understanding between the two admirals. The matter is of less consequence than appears, for the supreme merit of Lord Nelson was not the disregarding of the signal, but the sound judgment and tenacity with which he refused to incur the risk of giving ground at that moment. This was wholly his.

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Shoulders ℔ ℔		6½@	6¾
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔		5½@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		6 @	6¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 20
New City, each		@	1 10
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M		5 00 @	7 00
Northern		9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔		15 @	18
Northern		18 @	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks		46 @	47
Virginia Meal		47 @	50
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		80 @	85
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm		18 @	25
Adamantine		8 @	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory		10½@	11½
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra		12 @	16
Mio		7½@	9
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns ℔ bunch		18 @	20
EGGS—℔ dozen		@	16
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel		22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl		11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ barrel		16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl		8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel		18 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel		4 00 @	4 25
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	3 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg		3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔		5 @	10
" Extra		4 25 @	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 00
Choice		@	3 50
Straight		3 75 @	4 00
First Patent		4 50 @	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔		7½@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White		@	70
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	46
Oats, from store		40 @	45
Oats, Rust Proof		40 @	45
Cow Peas		20 @	75
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 lbs			
Clover hay		@	75
Rice Straw		40 @	45
Eastern		@	75
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔		1½@	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern		5 @	7
North Carolina		6 @	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel		1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (Sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff resawed		18 00 @	20 00
Rough edge Plank		15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality		13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned		18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n		14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	26
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads		12 @	14
Sugar House, in barrels		14 @	15
Syrup, in barrels		12 @	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis		1 60 @	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
Clr Mess		10 50 @	11 00
Rump		10 50 @	11 00
P ime		@	10 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔		10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool		70 @	75
American		70 @	75
On 120 ℔ Sacks		@	47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M		5 00 @	6 50
Common		1 50 @	2 25
Cypress Saps		2 50 @	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd		@	5¼
Standard A		@	5¼
White Extra C		@	5¼
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern		3½@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W O barrel		6 00 @	14 00
R O Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	6 50
Common Mill		4 00 @	4 50
Inferior to ordinary		@	3 00
SHINGLES, N C Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6x24 heart		7 50 @	8 50
" Sap		5 00 @	6 00
5x24 Heart		4 50 @	5 00
" Sap		4 00 @	4 50
6x24 Heart		6 00 @	6 50
" Sap		5 00 @	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern		1 00 @	2 00
North Carolina		1 00 @	2 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed		70 @	18

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 9.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market firm at 36¾ cents per gallon for machine-made casks and 36¼ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at 97½ cents per bbl for strained and $1.02½ for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.10 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1.30 per barrel for hard, $2.00 for Dip and $2.00 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine quiet, 30¼@29¾c; rosin dull, $1.15, $1.20; tar steady, $1.05; crude turpentine steady, $1.40, $1.90, $1.90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	128
Rosin	639
Tar	467
Crude Turpentine	78

Receipts same day last year.—226 casks spirits turpentine, 403 bbls rosin, 346 bbls tar, 63 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 5½c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Good Ordinary	2 11-16 cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4 1-16 " "
Low Middling	4 11-16 " "
Middling	5½ " "
Good Middling	5 7-16 " "

Same day last year middling 5¾c.

Receipts—2,592 bales; same day last year, 2,335.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 45@55c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 60c; Fancy, 65. Virginia—Extra Prime, 65c; Fancy, 70c; Spanish, 70@80c.

CORN—Firm; 42½@47½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 12 to 13c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to $2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to $6.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 9.—Money on call steady at 2@2½ per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange firm; actual business in bankers' bills at 484½@484¾ for demand and at 481½@482 for sixty days. Posted rates were 482½ and 485¼. Commercial bills 480@480¾. Silver certificates 59½@60½. Bar silver 59½. Mexican dollars 46¾. Government bonds strong; U. S. new 3's —; U. S new4's, registered, 127¼@128¼; do coupon, 127¼@128¼; U. S. 4's 111¾@111¾; do. coupon, 112½@113½; do 2's 99½; U. S. 5's, registered, 112¾@113; do. 5's, coupon, 112¾@113¾. State bonds inactive; N C 6's 129; do 4's, 104.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

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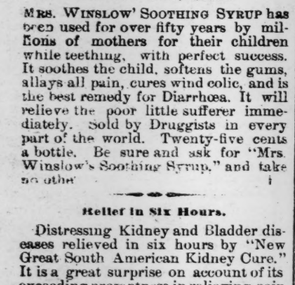

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PSUEDO MEMORY.

ITS MANIFESTATIONS AND CAUSES THAT ARE ASSIGNED.

Curious Illustrations That Have a Familiar Appearance to Many of Us—What Some Famous Men Have Said Concerning This Interesting Subject.

An Irishman once referred to what has been called pseudo memory as the memory that he had of things that never happened to him, but a more exact definition tells us that it consists in the belief that a new state has been previously experienced, so that when the state is produced for the first time it seems familiar. Or, as Wendell Holmes says, "All at once a conviction flashes upon us that we have been in the same precise circumstances as at the present instant once or many times before"—a sort of feeling that makes some people think they are ghosts. He adds jocularly that the feeling cannot be the memory of a previous state of existence, for he gives the case of a student who, when blacking his shoes, had the conviction that he had often done so before, and he mentions as an explanation the fact of the brain being a double organ. One side of the brain receives the impression before the other, and in the second case there is the memory of the first impression. But to this view it may be objected that there is a conviction that the former state was experienced a long time before, sometimes, too, with the belief that it occurred in a remote and otherwise forgotten past. Sometimes, no doubt, there is an actual memory of dreams. The latter is most often the case when some incident during the day recalls a dream of the previous night that had been forgotten on awakening in the morning. Another explanation founded on the theory of hereditary memory is not impossible. This would include the case of the student who blacked his shoes. From a scientific point of view this explanation is perfectly rational.

A memory of things that our ancestors have done is consistent with strict reasoning, and we have something almost amounting to memory of this kind in the case of animals. Darwin tells of dogs that were taken to Central America and taught to hunt deer in a particular way, and the progeny of these dogs, when they were taken out without their parents, hunted at once according to the particular method without being trained.

This kind of memory occurs in different forms. A sudden turn of the road in a strange country brings us face to face with a landscape that seems familiar. Meeting a person for the first time, we feel as if we had already seen him. Reading a book that we have never seen before, the thoughts or the language, or both, seem as if they had already been presented to the mind. Again, a funeral service, a procession or some pageant, all at once the whole scene seems familiar.

Many remarkable cases of this kind of memory are told. An inhabitant of New England, when on a visit to England, went to see the home of his ancestors. He thought he recognized the village church and the landscape, but he believed he must have seen a picture of them before. However, on passing through the churchyard his attention was especially attracted by a tombstone on which the name inscribed seemed familiar. On inquiry he discovered that the young girl who was buried there had been engaged to one of his ancestors, who, according to an account given in a book written on the family, used often to pay visits to the tomb of his loved one. Hereditary memory is the only clew in this case, if we except a vivid imagination. A similar story is told of a Yorkshireman who went on a visit to Somerset and there recognized and remembered well hunting the red deer. He had never done so himself before, but his father had hunted the red deer in Somerset for several years in the early part of his life.

A celebrated artist tells a story of how, when he was playing with pencil and paper, he suddenly began to draw a portrait of a face that he seemed to remember. But he never discovered the original until when, on a visit to a country house, he discovered the face among the portraits of the ancestors of the family. On inquiry he found that his grandfather had once been engaged to be married to the girl, but had been obliged to give her up on the pressure of her relatives.

Dr. Arnold Pick tells of a man who had chronic attacks of pseudo memory. Whenever he was present at a social gathering or visited any place that was new to him, the incident, with all its familiar circumstances, appeared so familiar that he was convinced of having received the same impressions before or having been surrounded with the same objects under the same conditions of weather, etc. If he undertook any new occupation, he seemed to have gone through it at some previous time and under similar conditions. This feeling sometimes appeared at the time, sometimes at the end of a few hours, and sometimes not until the next day, but always with great distinctness. In this case an explanation may perhaps be found in the man's possession of a very powerful imagination, which, being constantly exercised on a number of possible situations, led to the recognition afterward of similarities in actual experience.

As an examination in other cases it may be that there is an actual memory of events that occurred in early childhood and remained for a long time forgotten by the individual himself and his friends. Carpenter tells of a clergyman who went with a party of friends to visit a castle that he did not remember he had ever seen before. As he approached the gateway he became conscious of a very vivid impression of having seen it previously, and he seemed to himself to see not only the gateway itself, but also donkeys beneath the arch and people on the top of it, and it was for some time in the belief that he was the victim of a delusion or prank of memory, until, on inquiring of his mother, she informed him that when he was 18 months old she had gone to the castle with a large party and taken him in the pannier of a donkey, and that the elders of the party, having brought luncheon with them, ate it on the roof of the gateway.

Child Study.

One of the puzzling things to the students of the new science of paidology, or child study, is the different methods which children employ in learning to walk. One child will never creep, but rise up suddenly and toddle off, another will creep entirely with one knee and in a sideways direction, but he, too, finds the use of his legs and feet in good time, while a third hitches along the floor in a sitting posture for weeks before he stands and starts away. Many more variations of the plain straightforward creeping have been discovered, and the experts are wondering why this should be, as walking is one of the most instinctive habits of the human animal, and ought to be reached by a similar process in all cases.—New York Post.

The Gift of Appreciation.

There is perhaps no other natural gift that brings so much genuine pleasure to its possessor as does the keen sense of appreciation. It teaches us or points out to our understanding the beauties of nature that are all about us, gilds the commonplace and emphasizes the joys of life and of living. Appealing to us through all our senses, the pleasures that it brings are ceaseless and unfailing. Seen through appreciative eyes the beautics of life overshadow and eclipse the homely, rough places. There is an attractive side to everything, and this an appreciative mind will see first and longest remember.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Successful Hotel Keeping.

There is one motive that inspires every kind of hotel so universally that it is a sort of axiom in the business. It is this, "It always pays to please the guest at any cost."

This business is as directly built up and torn down by the opinions of its patrons as any other one could name, and the head mind of a hotel enterprise stays awake at nights thinking up schemes to please his customers. His days he spends in seeing to it that they are not displeased.

If pleased, they are likely to come again. If they are especially pleased, they are liable to say something to somebody that will bring in other patrons, who, in turn, may bring in still more friends. But if they are displeased exactly the opposite effect is likely to be brought about. That is the hotel man's situation. He would rather lose the profits on a dozen of his patrons than the good will of one of them.—Jesse Lynch Williams in Scribner's.

PEARLS.

Why There Are No Very Ancient Specimens Now In Existence.

According to M. Berthelot, the celebrated scientist historian, there are no very ancient pearls in existence, for which a sufficient reason is found in the fact that pearls, unlike precious stones, are destructible. They discolor and disintegrate. The pearl is not mentioned by Homer or Herodotus, he states. It begins to appear in the time of Alexander—that is, of the conquest of the east, and it is about this time that the name Margarita—that is to say, Pearl—is first given to women. Not a great deal is known about the value attributed by the ancients to particular pearls. The one that Cleopatra drank was valued at $200,000 modern money. Mention is made by Pliny of a practice of Clodius, son of the actor Æsop, who gave his guests dissolved pearls to drink.

The Romans appreciated the pearl, and after the growth of luxury began to have its usual effect in diminishing the birth rate, one of the laws against celibacy provided that no childless woman or spinster should wear pearls under the age of 55. Pearls are prominent in the royal toilets of Europe. Catherine de Medicis was said to have the finest pearls in Europe. When she married Henri, duc d'Orleans, Francis I presented to her two great pearls weighing five grams each. She afterward presented these to Marie Stuart, who, while queen of France, had them set in the parures familiar in her portraits. At that queen's fall the pearls were captured by Morton and sent to London. Catherine instructed her embassador to buy them, but they were bought by Elizabeth for 12,000 crowns.

At that time pearls cut a leading figure in woman's dress. The great sleeves were decorated with them. The favorite ornament, however, was the paternoster embracing the waist, then hanging down in front to the bottom of the skirt. The decoration was completed by a bertha defining the breasts, joining in front and descending in two rows to join the paternoster, giving the effect of an opening in the corsage.

Pearls and precious stones were bought as a convenient investment and acceptable collateral. Elizabeth lent £20,000 on a pledge of jewels by the Prince of Conde, Jeanne d'Albret, Henry of Navarre, and Coligny. The jewels were never redeemed and now figure among the crown jewels.—San Francisco Argonaut.

A FREAK AMONG FLOWERS.

The Venus Flytrap and Its Almost Human Action.

Now and again, in exploring American woods and swamps, botanists have come across floral curiosities that almost bridge over the great gulf that divides the animal and vegetable kingdoms. One of these, to be met with nowhere in the world save in North Carolina, is scientifically classified as Dionœa muscipula, but is colloquially known as "Venus' flytrap."

In appearance the extraordinary plant is pretty, but unassuming, the leafless flower stem running from six to eight inches in height and surmounted by a cluster of five petaled blossoms, rising erect like a rosette like bed of leaves. It is in the edge of the leaves that the death dealing apparatus is set, for this modest little plant, which is so delicate that it dies of the slightest injury to root or stem, sustains its life by feeding upon the unwary insects that chance to alight upon its leaves, enticing them to their destruction by exuding from the edges of its fatal traps a viscous fluid, somewhat resembling honey.

The traps consist of two soft, velvety leaves, fringed with delicate bristles and hinged together on one side. The unsuspecting fly, lured by the honey, alights on these bristles in anticipation of a feast, but at the first touch of its feet the hinges close, the two leaves come together, the bristles interlock, and the hapless insect is imprisoned in a cell from which escape is impossible.

Under the stimulus of the victim's struggles the tiny glands with which the inner walls of the trap are furnished pour forth a secretion which Darwin analyzed as a vegetable gastric juice, resembling that which insures digestion in animal life. Under the influence of this curious fluid the fly is actually digested alive, and, its juices being extracted, the trapdoors are reopened and the skeleton is flung out.

The scientists declare that the plant unquestionably lives upon the juices of its victims, but one or two expert florists take exception to this statement. It is worthy of note that, although the habit of the plant is carnivorous, experiments have proved that it lives longer and thrives better when so inclosed that no insects can reach it, a superabundance of its favorite diet apparently rendering it even more delicate than it is by nature. The set of muscles controlling its leaves are said to resemble those of the human eyelids.—Desiguer.

Megrim.

Megrim, or migraine, is a species of nervous headache affecting only one side of or one defined spot on the head—the forehead and temple—and is generally the result of debility. It is a periodic disease, appearing and disappearing at irregular intervals, and may be induced by the same causes as give rise to hysteria and ague. The immediate attack of megrim headache may be relieved by the application of flannel or sponge, soaked in hot water, or by the continuous application of ice over the part. The affection, which is often a very painful one, is likely to be removed by the improvement of the general health and strength, by good diet, air and exercise, and by the use of bark, iron and other tonics. A large dose of quinine—five or six grains—repeated two or three times in the course of 24 hours will generally cut short an attack of megrim.—New York Ledger.

To remove insects from the ear pour warm water or warm lard or oil into the ear and the bug will float to the surface; then throw the head over and let it all run out. Don't go picking round with a probe or you will ruin the drum of the ear.

Hats undergo from 20 to 30 different processes, according to quality, before completion. In the early stages they resemble simply a conical bag of wool.

A RELIC OF ROYALTY.

It Is Found In One of the Principal Churches of New York.

Though few are aware of the fact, members of the congregation of old St. Paul's church gaze every Sunday at the arms of the future king of England. On the canopy of the old fashioned pulpit, which is one of the pepper box style of a century ago, are the three ostrich feathers and the crown that for many generations have constituted the arms of the Prince of Wales, the heir to Britain's throne. The feathers stand out gracefully in the center of the oak canopy. They are all carved wood, handsomely gilded, and form an attractive ornamentation to the pulpit. With these royal arms over his head, the minister who officiates in St. Paul's church on Sunday reads the services of the American church.

It is argued that these royal arms have survived the storms of the Revolutionary days. An incensed mob traveled through New York city when independence had been declared, destroying every sign that represented the monarchy from whose chains they had cut themselves free. Nothing was regarded as sacred by this mob.

The royal arms were everywhere at that time—on the windows of stores whose proprietors had been proud of this means of reminding the public that at one time they had supplied his majesty's ships with salt pork or hard tack, on the lampposts at the street corners and swinging from the front porches of the old inns. Windows on which the royal symbols appeared were ruthlessly smashed by the mob, the lamp-posts were hurled to the ground and the inns deprived of their signs in short order. It was a time when to be a client of royalty brought a man into dangerous prominence, and many wise storekeepers escaped mob violence and saved the destroying party the trouble of smashing their signs by doing the work themselves.

The royal arms of England were hard to find in New York city when the mob had completed its tour. Some few signs escaped the ruin, but not for long. They were smashed as soon as attention was called to their presence.

The relic in St. Paul's church was passed unnoticed and has survived to this day. It is certain that the mob somewhat overlooked its existence, for no respect for the sacredness of a church edifice would have deterred it from laying the pulpit in ruins had the presence of the feathers and crown of Wales been pointed out.—New York Times.

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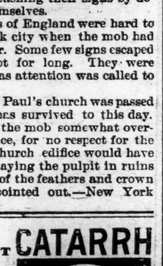

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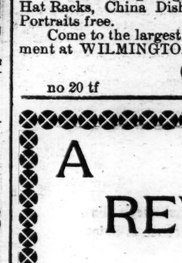

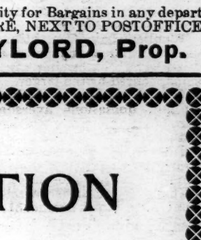

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Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9:05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:55 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

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Leave Fayetteville Junction	12 38 "
Leave Sanford	1 50 "
Leave Climax	3 44 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 15 "
Leave Greensboro	4 25 "
Leave Stokesdale	5 12 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 44 "
Leave Rural Hall	6 13 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	7 25 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 DAILY.
Leave Mt. Airy	8 45 A. M.
Leave Rural Hall	10 00 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 36 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Greensboro	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro	12 13 P. M.
Leave Climax	12 42 "
Leave Sanford	2 30 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 42 "
Arrive Fayetteville	3 52 "
Leave Fayetteville	4 02 "
Arrive Wilmington	7 05 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4 DAILY.
Leave Bennettsville	8 00 A. M.
Arrive Maxton	9 08 "
Leave Maxton	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 25 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. DAILY.
Leave Fayetteville	4 53 P. M.
Leave Hope Mills	4 52 "
Leave Red Springs	5 35 "
Arrive Maxton	6 09 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 15 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Ramseur	6 40 A. M.
Leave Climax	8 30 "
Arrive Greensboro	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro	9 55 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOMND.	No. 15. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
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Leave Greensboro	3 00 "
Leave Climax	3 50 "
Arrive Ramseur	5 30 "

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DAILY	No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11 19	
9.45 A. M.	Warsaw 11 34 A. M., Goldsboro 12 30 A. M., Wilson 1 16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1 53 P. M., Tarboro 2 31 P. M., Weldon 4 02 P. M., Petersburg 5 22 P. M., Richmond 7 20 P. M., Norfolk 2 55 P. M., Washington 11 30 P. M., Baltimore 1 40 A. M., Philadelphia 3 55 A. M., New York 6 53 A. M., †Boston 3 00 P. M.	
DAILY	No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8 49	
7.15 P. M.	Warsaw 9 03 P. M. Goldsboro 10 00 P. M., Wilson 10 48 P. M., †Tarboro 6 48 A. M., Rocky Mount 11 25 P. M. Weldon 12 50 A. M., †No folk 10 05 A. M., Petersburg 2 35 A. M., Richmond 3 30 A. M., Washington 7 01 A. M., Baltimore 8 31 A. M., Philadelphia 10 31 A. M., New York 1 03 P. M., Boston 9 00 P. M.	
DAILY except Sunday	No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4 15 P. M., Newbern 5 40 P. M.	
2.25 P. M.		

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M.	No. 35—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4 53 P. M., Chadbourn 5 36 P. M., Marion 6 34 P. M., Florence 7 15 P. M., Sumter 8 37 P. M., Columbia 10 20 P. M., Denmark 6 13 A. M., Augusta 7 5 A. M., Macon 11 15 A. M., Atlanta 12 35 P. M., Charleston 1 50 P. M., Savannah 1 50 A. M., Jacksonville 7 30 A. M., St. Augustine 10 30 A. M. Tampa 6 05 P. M.
ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.	
DAILY 5.45 P. M.	No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1 00 P. M., New York 9 00 P. M., Philadelphia 12 05 A. M., Baltimore 2 50 A. M., Washington 4 30 A. M., Richmond 9 05 A. M., Petersburg 10 00 A. M., Norfolk 9 00 A. M., Weldon 1 50 A. M., Tarboro 12 21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1 00 P. M., Wilson 2 35 P. M., Goldsboro 3 15 P. M., Warsaw 4 07 P. M., Magnolia 4 20 P. M.
DAILY 9.30 A. M.	No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 light, New York 9 30 A. M., Philadelphia 12 09 P. M., Baltimore 2 25 P. M., Washington 3 46 P. M., Richmond 7 30 P. M., Petersburg 8 12 P. M., †Norfolk 2 40 P. M., Weldon 9 48 P. M., †Tarboro 6 00 P. M., Rocky Mount 6 40 P

The Morning Star.
WILMINGTON, N. C.
SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 10.

CONDITIONS IN SANTIAGO.

Extremists of the Cuban Republican Party Causing Trouble—The Recent Outrage by U. S. Troops.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Dec. 9.—The Extremists of the Cuban Republican party seem to be anxious to assume the responsibility for the outrage at the Spanish Club Wednesday evening, when Juan Castillo, a former Cuban officer, accompanied by two negro subordinates, rode into the club rooms and with their machets smashed several lamps and did other damage. *El Porvenir*, the organ of this faction, claims that the act of Castillo "represents the feelings of a long outraged but now sovereign people."

Vice President Barbarossa, of the San Carlos Club, has asserted that if Castillo had not been promptly released from custody, ten thousand Cubans would have known the reason why. But such expressions must not be taken as representing the views of the best Cuban element, which is really very strongly in favor of annexation.

Gen. Leonard Wood's strong hand is much missed here and his return, which is expected early to morrow, will be doubly welcome.

To-day Col Beacon had before him Lieut. Cranshaw of the Third immune regiment, who repeated a conversation he had had with Captain Bickham, of the Ninth immunes, which throws considerable light upon the recent drunken affray of negro soldiers at San Luis and goes to show that the affair was premeditated and that the officers were more guilty than the men.

POWDER MILL EXPLOSION.

Part of the Plant of the Dupont Works Destroyed—Three Men Killed and Eight Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Dec. 9.—Three men were killed and eight injured, three of them probably fatally, by the explosion of a press mill and four grinding mills in the Hagerly yard of the Dupont powder works, a few minutes after 10 o'clock.

Every Wilmington physican who could be communicated with was summoned to the scene of the explosion to render aid to the wounded.

The explosion occurred in the press room of the Hagley, or lower yard works. A car load of powder that was being wheeled into the room was accidentally overturned and the car wheels running into the loose powder, caused friction that set the powder afire. The explosions quickly followed, all the powder that was in the press room going off in five successive detonations. The press mill was wrecked.

The force of the explosion carried portions of the bodies of the men killed across Brandywine creek, a distance of one hundred yards from the mill.

At the time of the explosion John Moore, who is employed as a carpenter in the yard, was within a few feet of the press mill. The back of his head was crushed and he died a few minutes later.

The shock of the explosion damaged property and shattered windows in all directions.

COTTON MOVEMENT.

Secretary Hester's Statement—The Increase in the Visible Supply.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., December 9.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows an increase for the week just closed of 109,378 bales, against an increase of 150,804 last year and 163,148 in 1894.

The total visible is 4 705,438, against 4,596,000 last week and 3,836 209 last year. Of this the total of American cotton, 4,486,438 against 4,382,060 last week, 3,358,209 last year, and of all other kinds including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 219,000 against 214,000 last week and 218,000 last year.

The movement since September 1 shows receipts at all United States ports, 4,474.197, against 4,429,711 last year. Foreign exports for the week have been 341.889 against 2,954,435 last year, making the total thus far for the season 3,260,654 against 2,954,435 last year, an increase of 306,219. The total takings of American mills, North and South and Canada, thus far for the season, have been 1,027,277, against 1,368,473 last year.

Stocks at the seaboard and the 29 leading Southern interior centres have increased during the week 26,023 bales, against an increase during the corresponding period last season of 107,954 and are now 327,159 larger than at this date in 1897. Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far for the new crop, the supply to date is 6,516,551, against 6,014,376 for the same period last year.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, Dec. 9, 1898.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending Dec. 9th:

	1898.	1897.
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week.....	392,020	362,750
Total receipts to this date.....	4,758,941	4,394 385
Exports for week..	341,889	281,503
Total exports to date.....	3,244,186	2,889,534
Stock in all U. S. ports	1,302,074	1,069,178
Stock at all interior towns.....	689.607	587 267
Stock in Liverpool,	1,113,000	665,000
American afloat for Great Britain...	373.000	400,000

WINSTON'S MAYOR.

Col. A. B. Gorrell—Died Suddenly of Heart Disease.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 9.—A special to the *Observer* from Winston, N. C., says Col. A. B. Gorrell, mayor of the city, president of the Piedmont Tobacco Association and a prominent business man, died suddenly of heart disease to night.

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PEACE TREATY NOT YET SIGNED.

It is Doubtful Whether it Will be Signed Earlier Than Next Monday.

SPANISH FEELING BITTER.

President McKinley's Comment on the Destruction of the Maine Regarded as Insulting—A Protest Made—Americans Apprehensive.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, Dec. 9.—Senor Montero Rios, president of the Spanish peace commission, and Senor Ojeda, secretary of that commission, are still confined to their beds. The illness of Senor Ojeda delays engrossing the treaty and it is doubtful whether it will be signed before Monday. The Americans held their usual session this morning.

The Spanish continue making bitter comments concerning Pres dent McKinley's reference to the Maine. When a correspondent of the Associated Press approached Senor Garnica, of the Spanish commission for further details of the treaty he said:

"The fact that you represent all the American and English papers is really a reason why I should say nothing. But, what you show me as having been cabled is substantially correct. The exact number of articles is still undetermined. It depends upon how Secretaries Ojeda and Moore decide the treaty. It may be twelve or twenty articles. The Americans are to pay the indemnity within three months of the ratification. We shall appoint consuls in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines without delay. The Cuban consul will be accredited to the powers that be."

Asked why the Spaniards refused to grant the United States a coaling station in the Caroline islands, Senor Garnica said: "The Americans could hardly expect that we should agree to discuss matters on this point. When we wished to discuss the Cuban debt, they absolutely refused to consider it, and then they ask us for whatever they want. What cheek! Yet the Cuban debt remains an important question for settlement."

Destruction of the Maine.

In regard to the Spaniards' final protest on the subject of the Maine, Senor Garnica said: "The protest now becomes history, and it is embodied in the protocol. We do not wish to remain under an imputation which would perpetuate animosity and hatred against us, and which would be a source of constant irritation in Spain. It is neither loyal nor just that this thing should hang over the reputation of Spain. We cannot submit to it. It must be cleared up in justice to ourselves. There are many other causes to bring hatred between the two nations without the addition of such a one as this.

"As to the future relations of the two countries, that is one of the things that history alone can determine."

Senor Garnica was then questioned as to the future of the Philippine islands, and he said:

"The United States has inaugurated a policy which will bring it much trouble and many responsibilities. The Americans are not preparing for the work they are about to undertake. Your democratic system must inaugurate an imperialistic system and you must increase your army and navy, with the result that there will be constant friction between yourselves and the European Powers.

The Americans preserve secrecy regarding the terms of the treaty. This is partly through the influence of three Senators on the body, who represent that it would be discourtesy to the Senate to publish the terms before the treaty is presented to the body by the President.

Spaniards' Protest.

The protocol of the treaty will almost reach the dimensions of a volume, as it will contain every written statement presented on both sides during the conference. The Spaniards made a last contribution yesterday on the assembling of the commissions. Senor Montero Rios then presented a vigorously worded protest in which the Spaniards declared they had yielded to force, but that they invoked the conscience of the nations against the abuse of the rights of nations, of which they were the victims. The protest was for purpose of record, and consisted of an argument in support of every concession demanded by the Spaniards and which the Americans refused; some of them peremptorily and without an opportunity for discussion.

The protest concludes: "But these concessions which we are obliged to make, touch us less than the insult which has been inflicted on our nation by President McKinley in his message. We again protest solemnly against the accusation hurled against us in connection with the Maine, and we intend to again submit the question to an international tribunal, comprised of England, France and Germany, to determine who shall bear the responsibility of the catastrophe."

Articles of the Treaty.

In spite of the secrecy observed by the Americans, it is learned that the treaty, in substance, consists of thirteen or fourteen articles. The principal articles provide for the cession and evacution of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, and the political, administrative and financial results thereof; the acquirement by the United States of public property and the relinquishment of archives. The articles of secondary importance determine the status of Spanish subjects remaining in the ceded territories and unfinished lawsuits and contracts; guarantees of the same terms to Spanish shipping and merchandise as imposed upon American shipping and merchandise in the Philippine islands for ten years, and leaving the status of Spanish commerce in the West Indies to be settled later.

An important provision is the guarantee of religious freedom in the ceded territories, in the same terms as the Florida treaty, the Americans having steadfastly refused to incorporate any guarantee of the United States' determination to forfeit property of the Catholic Church, leaving it subject to the general laws, on the same footing as private property.

Americans Apprehensive.

The Americans were apprehensive even yesterday that there might be some unforeseen turn of affairs which would frustrate their efforts at the eleventh hour.

Senator Gray, though well known to be radically opposed to the policy of annexation, or "imperialism," will vote in the Senate to ratify the treaty, considering his signing the document binds him to support it.

The Danish cargo steamer Nordkape, which sailed from Norfolk and passed out Cape Henry just one month ago, bound from Galveston for Denmark, has not been reported, spoken or sighted since she sailed.

LARGER DEMAND FOR NEARLY ALL PRODUCTS.

November Business the Biggest Ever Done in This Country in Any One Month.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 9.—R. G. Dun & Company's weekly review of trade will say to-morrow:

The most significant thing this week has been the entire absence of the customary nervous fright before or after the meeting of Congress, the President's message and the Treasurer's report. No one showed the least alarm, and nobody could find occasion for any. Money and stock and grain markets moved on exactly as if the government were automatic, certain to do or say no more than the people had already decided and expected, and so the gradual betterment since October continues. There is a larger demand for products in nearly all the great industries, larger export demand for foreign needs, a more healthy domestic demand since seasonable weather arrived, and a comforting conviction that November business, the biggest ever done in this country in any month was but a step toward something better.

Exports last year in December were marvelous, but this year are starting ahead. The Atlantic wheat exports (flour included) have been for the week 5 636.757 bushels, against 4 312,137 last year, and Pacific exports 556,523 bushels, against 973,083 last year, and prices have declined 2½ cents for cash, but Western receipts of 10,135,189 bushels, against 6 213,471 last year stops argument. The wheat does not come out at low prices, or the people have less to sell than last year, at 20 cents more per bushel. So the corn exports were 4,151,981 bushels, against 3 313,086 last year, and such a foreign demand at prices much higher than last year and with wheat cheaper is proof of a state of things abroad which Americans hardly appreciate. The price declined only ¼c, with enormous receipts.

Cotton shared in the export movement fully and nevertheless has risen three-sixteenths in price, with a felling that estimates of yield may yet have been excessive. At the extremely low price quoted, foreign buyers do not stop to calculate commercial and mill stocks on hand. The consumption in this country is yet very large, being but little changed by troubles about wages at the South, though by voluntary curtailment in New England, but the demand for goods is better.

Woollens have been in much better demand and many of the smaller mills have been buying after concessions secured by the larger.

Pig iron has risen at the East to $11-50 and quotations average for pig throughout the country a shade higher than at any time this year, though prices for finished products have recently been declining and are lower than in the early months of the year.

This week's failures have been 248 in the United States against 312 last year, and 22 in Canada against 29 last year.

A MURDERER EXECUTED.

John Anderson, Negro, Hanged at Norfolk—At the First Attempt the Rope Broke.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 9.—John Anderson, negro, murderer of Saunders, mate of the American schooner Olive Pecker, was hanged in the jail here to-day.

At 3 06 the trap was sprung and Anderson's body shot downward. The rope parted just inside the knot and his body fell to the cobblestones with a "dull thud." A thrill of horror ran through the crowd. Officers and witnesses rushed to the body and snatched the cap from his head, to find blood oozing from mouth, nose and eyes. A doctor was called and soon Anderson opened his eyes, and it was said began to breathe naturally. He was carried feet foremost up the steps to the platform and laid down until a chair was obtained. He was placed in this, but never spoke.

Preparations for re-hanging him were made hurriedly. All was excitement. The other piece of the rope, the end with which the negro murderer Downing was hanged here, December 12, 1896, and later a man in Mecklenburg, was adjusted around his neck. He was raised to a standing position and the straps again placed on his limbs. While being supported by the officers the trap was again sprung.

In twenty-three minutes life was pronounced extinct. Nine minutes elapsed between the first and second drops. Anderson's neck was broken, by the last drop.

Marshal Treat refused to turn the body over to the Virginia Anatomical Society, and it was placed in a hand some casket and buried in the Seamen's lot in Elmwood cemetery.

It is the unanimous verdict that Anderson was the pluckiest man ever hanged here.

WAR REVENUE ACT.

Amendments Recommended by Commissioner of Internal Revenue—Concerning Tabocco and Cigarettes.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Chairman Dingley, of the Ways and Means Committee, has received a letter from Commissioner of Internal Revenue N. B. Scott, recommending a number of amendments to the act of June 13, 1898, known as the War Revenue Act. The recommendations cover changes of an administrative character under schedules A and B; also for the monthly payment of excise on sugar refineries, and for a penalty for failing to stamp parlor car tickets. Further provisions are suggested as to examinations by internal revenue officers of articles subject to internal revenue taxes.

In the course of his letter, Commissioner Scott makes this suggestion: That Section 3394 of the Revised Statues, as amended by acts of Congress, be made to read as follows: "None of the packages of smoking tobacco and fine cut chewing tobacco and cigarettes prescribed by law shall be permitted to have packed in, or attached to, or connected with them, any article or thing whatsoever, other than the manufacturer's wrappers and labels, the internal revenue stamp and the tobacco or cigarettes, respectively, put up therein, on which tax is required to be paid under the internal revenue laws; nor shall there be affixed to, or branded, stamped, marked, written, or printed upon said packages, or their contents, any promise, offer of, or any order or certificate for any gift, prize, premium, payment or reward.

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AN IMPORTANT CABINET COUNCIL

Details of Administration of Government in New Possessions Arranged.

CABLEGRAMS FROM MANILA.

Official Denial That Sale of the Philippines Has Been Considered—Tariff Measure to Relieve Burden of Taxation in the Islands.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 9.—The discussion of the details of the administration of government in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, under the treaty of peace which is about to be signed in Paris, occupied a large part of the time at to day's cabinet meeting. The establishment of a new postal system in Cuba was regarded as a pressing necessity. The present purpose is to fashion the new system, as far as practicable, on our own model. Cablegrams were read from Admiral Dewey and General Otis, at Manila, giving their views as to the number of troops that it would be necessary to keep in the Philippines during the administration of the military government. Further than this, the contents of these messages were not made public, but the information received, it is stated, was entirely satisfactory to the President. Nothing had been heard of the cabinet meeting.

An official denial is authorized that the sale of the Philippine islands to any other nation has ever been considered by this government, and it is stated that the published statements to the effect that their sale to Japan had been under discussion was altogether false.

The cabinet also talked over an elaborate tariff measure, which is now in preparation here, to go into effect, as now planed, contemporaneously with the entire relinquishment of the islands by the Spanish, January 1. This tariff measure, it is said, will show an average reduction all along the line of about fifty per cent. from the Spanish tariff rates. The understanding now is that there will be no export duties and that in other ways the burden of taxation will be reduced.

Postmaster General Emory Smith remained in consultation with the President almost the entire afternoon talking over the scheme of postal administration of Cuba.

WAR INQUIRY COMMISSION.

Wanted to Know What Part Was Played by Abner McKinley's Firm in the Purchase of Ships.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The transportation to Spain by the United States of the Spanish prisoners surrendered at Santiago was taken up by the war investigation commission to-day and Col. Hecker, who made the contract for the United States was recalled to testify on this question. He said there had been a combine of New York shipping concerns, which would have caused an outlay of $1.400,000 while the actual outlay made was $513 000.

"What induced the government to send these people to Spain?" was asked. "Don't know. The terms of surrender provided for it."

Asked if he was ever approached by Abner McKinley relative to purchase of ships, Col. Hecker replied, "Never, but once. He spoke to me once about a water barge for which there was no use at the time and so I informed him I never had any other communication from him, either directly or indirectly."

"What part did the firm of which Abner McKinley is a member play in the sale of ships?" asked ex-Governor Woodbury. "None at all as to the army," replied Col. Hecker. "I do not know as to the navy."

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

House Committee Expediting Work on the Bill to Increase the Army.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The House Committee on Military Affairs began consideration to-day of the important measures for the re-organization and increase of the army to meet the conditions arising out of the war. Such progress was made that Chairman Hull said at the close of the meeting that he expected not only to report the bill to the House before the holiday!, but also to pass it by that time. In order to expedite the work daily committee meetings will be held, beginning next Monday.

The committee agreed to report favorably a resolution offered by Mr. Hay, of Virginia, asking the Secretary of War as to what towns in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines will require to be garrisoned by United States troops, the number required for each town, and what number will be required within the United States proper.

SENATOR QUAY'S CASE.

Conspirracy Charges to be Tried Next Week—Witnesses for the Defence.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, December 9.—Counsel for Senator Quay, in the conspiracy charges for which he is to be tried next week, to-day [subpœnaed ex-Commissionerr of Pleas Judge James Gordon and ex-Postmaster General Wanamaker as witnesses for the defence. This news is interesting in view of the known opposition of both of these men to Senator Quay politically, and in view of the charges recently made by Senator Penrose, in which he stated that the charges against Senator Quay was the result of a conspiracy to defeat him for re-election to the United States Senate and in his place name a man favorable to Messrs. Wanamaker and Gordon.

ADVICES FROM MANILA.

Admiral Dewey and Gen. Otis Report An Improvement in Conditions.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The Navy Department has received a cablegram from Admiral Dewey, summarizing the existing conditions at Manila and such points in the Philippines as have been visited by his officers. Advices also have been received from Gen. Otis, the commanding general of the United States military forces in the island, and they both go to show a notable improvement in conditions and the growh of a better spirit among those factions of the natives which promised to give trouble.

AFFAIRS IN HAVANA.

U. S. Troops to Arrive and March Through the City Sunday—Will Go to Pinar Del Rio.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, Dec. 9.—The first United States troops to march through the streets of Havana will be the 202nd New York regiment, which, with a band playing and colors flying, will march Sunday from the San Jose wharf, after landing there from the transport Minnewaska, through the heart of Havana, to the Western railroad station. The line of march will be through to the Prado and central Park. These troops will be sent to Pinar Del Rio province.

The correspondent of the Associated Press called the attention of General Davis to the fact that he would find Cuban troops occupying Pinar Del Rio city and asked him what he should do. "The authority of the United States must be recognized as paramount," he replied, "but I can see no reason why the Cuban troops may not remain organized as militia companies; though, naturally, when the necessity for their remaining in arms shall have passed, I suppose they will disband. I have no apprehension of trouble."

Gen. Davis said he did not intend to disarm the Cubans or to interfere with them, unless it should be necessary to preserve order.

RUSSIA IN CHINA.

American and British Interests Likely to Suffer Unless Action is Taken to Defend the Empire.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SHANGHAI, December 9.—John Barrett, formerly United States minister to Siam, says the situation in China is of the most critical nature, and that Manchuria is no longer Chinese but Russian territory. He asserts that New Chewang, the chief northern port for the movement of American products, is practically Russian and is liable to be closed any day.

The only permanent safeguard to the paramount American and British interests, Mr. Barrett says, is immediate and united action by the interested governments to defend the interests of the Chinese empire.

PEKIN, Dec. 9.—The new Russian minister, M. DeGiers, presented his credentials to the Emperor to day. The dowager Empress was not present, M. DeGiers, on his arrival here, refused to present his credentials to the dowager Empress. The Emperor appeared to be weak.

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

Mission Work the Past Year in This State—Delegates from the Western N. C. Conference Received.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 9.—A special to the *Observer* from Greenville, N. C., says:

Reports read at the North Carolina Baptist State Convention to day showed that $15,000 was spent in mission work in this State during the past year, and that collections for all church purposes amounted to $34,389

The feature of the day's session was the reception of the delegates from the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention, which recently dissolved in order to join the North Carolina Convention. It was shown that this church had done much to allay the race feeling during the late troubles in Eastern North Carolina.

HEAVY SNOW IN TEXAS.

The Worst Storm Experienced There in Many Years.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

AUSTIN, TEX., Dec. 9.—The ground in this section of the State is completely covered with snow for the first time since January, 1895. Farmers say that it comes in time to assure good Spring yields.

DALLAS, TEX., Dec. 9.—There are four inches of snow on the ground, and the storm here is the worst experienced in many years. Telegraph lines to the South are interrupted by sleet.

WARM-WIRELETS.

A Washington dispatch says the condition of Gen. Garcia was less favorable, though at midnight he was resting easily.

The total bank clearances for the week were $1,631,682,131; per cent. increase 20.6. Total, exclusive of New York, $615,635, 690; per cent. increase 13 3.

Clement B. Stern, of the Atlas Flour Mills, of Milwaukie, states that the big flour combination will be in operation shortly. The combine will have a capitalization of $30,000,000.

Auxiliary cruiser Buffalo, which sailed from New York with 900 troops for Manila, arrived at Old Point Comfort yesterday. The Buffalo broke down soon after starting for sea.

The U. S. transport Berlin arrived at Newport News yesterday from San Juan. On the transport were Maj. General Brooke, his staff, and the first Kentucky volunteer infantry under Col. John B. Castleman.

Spanish steamer Buenos Ayres, from Manila, arrived at Barcelona with repatriated Spanish troops on board. There were sixty deaths on the steamer while on her voyage from the Philippines to Spain.

A Washington dispatch says: To obviate all doubt as to the holding of the Democratic caucus Saturday night, notice was given to each Democratic member that the original caucus programme would be carried out.

The transport Minnewaska, with the 202nd New York regiment, has arrived at Havana. Arrangements are making for the shipment of the Tenth cavalry from Charleston in a few days. The Tenth cavalry is now at Huntsville.

Jordan Webb, colored, who committed a criminal assault upon Mrs. Lucy Bowden, an aged lady, in September last, was hanged at Courtland, Southampton county, Va., yesterday. He admitted his guilt just before his execution.

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DRY GOODS MARKET.

Cottons Very Firm—Advance in Prices of Print Cloths.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 9.—Good sales of print cloths were reported today and prices advanced 1-16c to a basis of 2 3-16 cents for regular 64 squares goods.

The tone of the cotton goods market was very firm and the situation healthy. A good general demand was reported for both staple and fancy cotton goods.

Woollen goods are in steady request. Prints and ginghams sold well and firm. Brown and bleached cottons were well controlled by sellers.

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I Am Paying special attention to selling property. If you have any real estate for sale I should like to have it on my list. W. M. Cumming, Real Estate Agent and Notary Public. oct 1 tf

New Commission House—To the shippers of Country Produce: I am now open and ready to receive consignments of all kinds of Country Produce. Quick sales and prompt returns is my motto. C. D. Jacobs, No 9 North Second street. de 4 1m*

White Barber Shop—I have employed another White barber, and with three chairs now, am better prepared than ever to accommodate my patrons. Wm. Tienken, 105 Princess street. oc 12 tf

Christmas Photographs—Come and see my Christmas display of genuine Caobonet Photographs. They are up to date in style and finish. J. C. Ellis, 114 Market street. no 22 1y

For Sale—One Edison "class M" Electric Phonograph, in perfect condition, with slick cure in the slot connection. Also a lot of records and record case. Address "B.," 312 North Third street, city. no 18 1m

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Old Newspapers for sale by the hundred at the STAR Office. Excellent for underlaying carpets, or for wrapping paper. oct 2 tf

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Loans	$629.983 50	Capital	$125,000 00
Overdrafts secured by collateral	10,480 58	Surplus	70,000 00
Overdrafts unsecured	377 33	Undivided profits	19,564 01
U. S. Bonds (at par)	95,600 00	Circulation	40,950 00
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000 00	Deposits, U. S. Treasurer	$ 50,000 00
Due from app'd reserve agts	$156,148 52	" from banks	190,907 20
Due from other Banks	$165 220 57	" Individuals	606,554 56-906,769 56
Cash on hand	65,178 37—386 542 16		
Total	$1,162.983 57	Total	$1,162,983 57

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

	Dec. 1, '97.	Dec. 1, '98.
Total Deposits	$676,000	$646,700
Surplus and Net Profits	75,100	89,500

Dividends paid—6 per cent. per annum.
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